

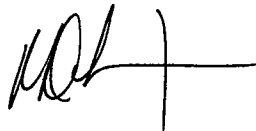
### REMARKS

Assignee has canceled claims 1-47. Assignee has added new claims 48-64. The amendments do not add new matter. Pending claims 48-64 are patentable.

Assignee respectfully submits that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Assignee respectfully requests the Examiner grant early allowance of this application. If for any reason the Examiner is unable to allow the application in the next Office Action, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the Assignee's undersigned representative.

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